



On Wednesday, November 28, 2001, NZNA celebrated acceptance by EPA into the National Environmental Performance Track Program with a reception that included invited government officials and NZNA employees. The event was well-attended and included State Senator Allen Wellons, Franklinton Mayor Larry Kearney, Gary Hunt of the NC Department of Environment & Natural Resources, and several government officials from Louisburg and Franklin County. State Representative Jim Crawford was unable to attend because of a legislative session and sent flowers in honor of our achievement. A reporter from the Wake Weekly /Franklin Reporter newspaper covered the event.

The Acting Regional Administrator for EPA Region IV awarded our certificate to Lee Yarbrough in a ceremony held earlier in Atlanta. The certificate will be displayed in the BOB Lobby right next to our ISO 14001 certificate for our Environmental Quality System (EQS).

NZNA was approved for entry into this program because of our well-functioning EQS and our commitment to go beyond environmental regulatory requirements to further improve our environmental performance. We are one of 251 facilities nationwide and one of only 4 in North Carolina.

Drawings were held for 5 backyard compost bins. The winners were:

John Colin
Marvis Henderson-Daye
Lesley Fisher
Susan Johnson
Letonia Whittington

Arrangements for the event were made by Donna Burris with assistance from Paula Powers and Dorie Fales.

All employees should feel proud of this success since everyone has worked hard to implement and maintain our EQS. The banner displayed at the celebration is being displayed on the fence behind each of the three parking lots in succession.

